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We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. A check for \$928 representing the filing fee.
2. Application - 70 pages, including 4 independent claim and 25 claims total.
3. Drawings - 18 sheets of formal drawings containing 18 figures.
4. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 10-373823, filed on December 28, 1998.
5. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with documents attached.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

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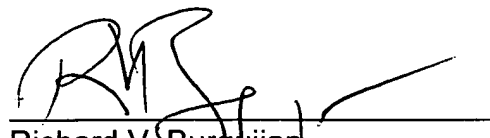
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